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SUBJECT: NEW ZEALAND TO JOIN INTERNATIONAL PARTNERSHIP ON  
AVIAN AND PANDEMIC INFLUENZA

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[¶1.](#) Charge shared reftel information with Simon Murdoch, CEO of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Trade (MFAT). Murdoch is the most senior career official at the Ministry. Murdoch agreed to review the information and forward it to appropriate ministry officials.

[¶2.](#) On September 12, Rosemary Paterson, Director of MFAT's Consular Division, informed Charge that the Cabinet had approved New Zealand's participation in the International Partnership on Avian and Pandemic Influenza.

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